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*Planning for the Challenges Ahead*



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**UPDATE REPORT ON BOARD MOTION REGARDING THE OIL AND GAS STRIKE TEAM FOR UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY (MARCH 29, 2016 – AGENDA ITEM NO. 12)**

On March 29, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) passed a motion instructing the Director of Regional Planning, in coordination with the Fire Chief, Interim Director of Public Health, and Director of Public Works to convene a Strike Team to assess the conditions, regulatory compliance and potential public health and safety risk associated with existing oil and gas facilities in unincorporated Los Angeles County. The Board instructed the Strike Team to report back on a biannual basis with a summary of its findings and any recommendations on legislative and regulatory positions that the Board should consider.

In accordance with the Board's motion, the Strike Team submitted the third and final update report to the Board on September 28, 2017, for existing oil and gas production facilities within the unincorporated Los Angeles County. That report included facility findings, recommendations for the Board's consideration, and future efforts for the Strike Team. The report and appendices can be accessed on the Department of Regional Planning's (DRP) web page at [planning.lacounty.gov/oil-gas/strike](http://planning.lacounty.gov/oil-gas/strike).

A memo to the Board dated March 15, 2018, provided an update on a Request for Proposal for consulting services to assist the Strike Team's future efforts. To date DRP finalized the Request for Proposal for consulting services and selected MRS Environmental Inc. as the winning proposal. On September 4, 2018, the Board approved the contract between Los Angeles County and MRS Environmental Inc. and the contract became effective on September 5, 2018.

The Strike Team will be researching and reviewing those items listed below and an update report on the Strike Team's progress will be submitted to the Board by March 29, 2019.

- Orphaned and Abandoned Oil and Gas Wells
- Oil and Gas Pipelines
- Oil and Gas Storage Facilities
- Review of Chemicals not identified in Hazardous Materials Business Plans

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